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SUBJ: LUNCH HOSTED BY PAKISTANI AMB BUCH ON MAY 18, 1978

1. I ATTENDED LUNCHEON GIVEN BY PAKISTANI AMB BUCH
ON MAY 18, 1978. OTHER ATTENDEES WERE CANADIAN, IRANIAN,
AND INDONESIAN AMBASSADORS.

2. MAJOR PREOCCUPATION WERE EVENTS AFGHANISTAN AND IMPACT
SURROUNDING AREA. CHINESE AMB IN BERN HAD TOLD
PAKISTANI THAT INCREASED SOVIET PRESENCE IN AFGHANISTAN
WAS "CLAW OF THE BEAR". NEXT STEP WOULD BE PAKISTAN, IRAN
AND WARM WATER INCLUDING PERSIAN GULF. PAKISTANI AMB
ANTICIPATED UZBEKS, WHO RESEMBLED PAKISTANIS, WILL
INFILTRATE PAKISTAN VIA AFGHANISTAN TO ATTEMPT SUBVERSION
UNDER GUISE OF NATIVE UPRISING.

3. PAKISTANI AMB SUSPECTED COLLUSION BETWEEN
SOVIETS, AFHANISTAN REVOLUTIONARIES, AND INDIANS AS
EVIDENCED BY MEETING IN NEW DELHI PRIOR TO COUP AND BECAUSE
OF QUICK INDIAN RECOGNITION. BOTH PAKISTAN AND
IRANIAN AMBS CONSIDERED IT ESSENTIAL US DO
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SOMETHING ALTHOUGH THEY RECOGNIZED THAT WHATEVER
PRESENCE WE COULD MAINTAIN IN AFGHANISTAN SHOULD BE
RETAINED.

4. CONSENSUS WAS THAT AFGHANISTAN DIFFERED FROM AFRICA
IN THAT EVENTUAL EXPULSION OF SOVIET INFLUENCE FROM
AFGHANISTAN MUCH MORE DIFFICULT THAN CASE OF AFRICA.

5. SUGGESTIONS FOR DETERRING RUSSIA, EMPHASIZING HUMAN
RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, ITS COLONIAL EXPANSIONISM AND
WITHHOLDING TECHNOLOGY.
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